



Title X RFA Questions-----Northeast Nebraska 2012

The questions and answers for the 2012 Title X RFA will be posted in the order of which they are received. This page will be updated every few days so please visit this page often.

Question:

“This is an open competition, will the incumbent organization be applying, or can you answer this question?”

Answer:

All applications which meet the terms of the request will be accepted and evaluated. The names of applicants will be available after the application due date of April 2, 2012.

Question:

“If the current delegate is not funded, will current equipment be provided to the new delegate?”

Answer:

All current equipment and supplies that have been purchased with Title X funds, Title X Grant Related Income, or with other Federal/State funds that support the Title X Family Planning Program will remain with the Title X Program. Therefore all such equipment and supplies will be transferred to the new provider.

Applicants are encouraged to include equipment costs in their budgets to assure maximum operational capacity. Final equipment allowances will be determined at the time that the Delegate is chosen.

For reference to equipment in the Code of Federal Regulations [GO HERE](#)

Question:

“Can you provide family planning/STD service numbers by county for the counties covered in this RFP?”

Answer:

The 2010 unduplicated Title X users for the counties included in the RFA are as follows: Antelope-37, Burt-12, Butler-61, Cedar-25, Cuming-137, Dakota-8, Dixon-52, Dodge-988, Knox-15, Madison-741, Pierce-49, Polk-43, Saunders-118, Stanton-29, Thurston-30, Washington-85, and Wayne-96.

A Title X Delegate clinic can serve clients from any service area, but would market their services in the area defined by the Department.

Question:

“In asking for letters of support for this grant opportunity, community leaders/members have asked us to answer the question of why is the grant up for bid in the middle of a contract period. Does the state provide any advice on responding on this matter?”

Answer:

DHHS seeks the most qualified, cost efficient applicant. Competitive applications allow comparison among applicants which can be evaluated objectively.

Question:

“In developing our sliding fee scale, will the fee scale currently used be available if a new delegate is selected, so clients are not charged a higher amount than they are currently paying?”

Answer:

Yes, the current sliding fee scale is available. Technical Assistance would be provided in developing a sliding fee scale using the 2012 Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Question:

“In regards to dispensing requirements for contraceptive refills, what kind of professional licensure is needed? A pharmacist? RN? Other trained staff?”

Answer:

Nebraska Title X Family Planning Clinics operate under Nebraska law allowing for dispensing of a defined formulary with a public health dispensing permit. For specifics on who can dispense and the training required refer to Nebraska Statutes Relating to the Pharmacy Practice Act, Title 172-Nebraska Department of Health Bureau of Examining Boards, Chapter 134- Regulations Governing Public Health Clinics Operating with a Drug Dispensing Permit or view the Public Health Dispensing Training that is available on the Nebraska Reproductive Health webpage at: <http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/reproductivehealth.aspx>

Question:

“Can Physician Assistants be utilized to do exams without a MD on site? (Assuming they have a supervising physician that they are working for already.)”

Answer:

Physician Assistants can be utilized to do exams in the Title X clinic. The Medical Doctor that the PA is practicing under has to be accessible by phone or a communication system in case of emergency.

Question:

“Is there a state-supported database or client electronic medical record that delegates will use? If not, if a new delegate is selected and chooses to implement EHR, are any financial incentives for EHR available?”

Answer:

There is not a State-supported database or client electronic medical record. There are no incentives available except those available from the Federal Affordable Care Act. All Delegates are encouraged to implement an electronic medical record by 2014 to be in compliance with Federal Healthcare Reform expectations.